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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:)
TAKAHASHI SHIRASUNA) Examiner: Unassigned
Appln. No.: Unassigned) Group Art Unit: Unassigned
Filed: April 18, 2001)
For: ZOOM LENS AND OPTICAL EQUIPMENT USING SAME) April 18, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

REMARKS

The following documents are discussed at the following pages of the specification:

<u>Document</u>	<u>Page(s)</u>	<u>Corresponding U.S. Patent</u>
Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 6-260088	2	
Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 6-265788	2 and 3	6,002,529
Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 4-213421	3 and 4	5,044,706
Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 6-324262	4	5,790,321

<u>Document</u>	<u>Page(s)</u>	<u>Corresponding U.S. Patent</u>
U.S. Patent No. 5,268,790	4 and 5	

Abstracts for Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application Nos. 6-260088, 6-265788, 4-213421, and 6-324262 were obtained from a commercial database and are also enclosed herewith.

FORMAL MATTERS

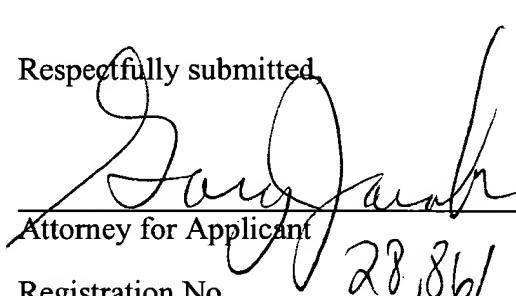
No fee is believed due; however, any fee required in connection with this paper should be charged to Deposit Account 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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